



WEST VIRGINIA

Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council

APPROVED

A meeting of the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (Council) was held **Wednesday, December 6, 2023, beginning at 9:30 a.m.** in the Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council Public Hearing Room at 1009 Bullitt Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

Voting Members that were present:

Quorum A quorum was constituted of the following members present:

Chair Ann Urling, Governor's Office

Voting Members in person:

John Reisenweber, Vice Chair/Public Member
Marie Prezioso, WV Water Development Authority
Meredith Vance, WV Bureau for Public Health
Jonathan Fowler, WV Public Service Commission
Kris Warner, WV Economic Development Authority
Kathy Emery, WV Department of Environmental Protection
Erica Bogges, WV Housing Development Authority

Voting Members via phone:

Louis Spatafore, Public Member
Virginia King, Public Member
Matt McComas, Public Member

Voting Members not present:

Don Rigby, Public Member

Advisory Members present in person:

None

Advisory Members present via phone:

Senator Chandler Swope

Invitees present or via phone:

Roger Earle, WV DEP – WV Abandoned Mine Lands & Reclamation
Janna Lowery, USDA Rural Development
Lesli Stone Smith, US Army Corp. of Engineers

Invitees not present:

Tracy Rowan, US Economic Development Authority
James Bush, WV ARC

Others in attendance:

Jason Billups, WV Department of Environmental Protection
Wayne Morgan, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
Brad Sargent, WDA
Veronica Lewis, WDA
Roshanda Lambert, WDA
P.E. Bauchem, Capitol City Police
Samme Gee, Jackson Kelly PLLC
Rick Roberts, E.L. Robinson Engineering
Amanda Cochran, WVRWA
Jonathan Carpenter, The Thrasher Group
Patrick Murphy, WV DHHR

Others in attendance by phone:

Mike Duminiak, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
Elizabeth Atkinson, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
AC Wiethe, Region 10 PDC
Jeff Johnson, Region 1 PDC
Michael Griffith, Griffith & Associates
Lesley Taylor, Region 4 PDC
Caroline Stewart, MOVRC

Call to Order Ann Urling called the meeting to order and noted a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes Ann Urling asked for approval of the draft minutes of **November 1, 2023**, meeting. Erica Bogges moved for approval and Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Projects Recommended to Pursue Infrastructure Fund Assistance:

Ansted, Town of – Sys Imprvs (New application)

2023S-2413

Kathy Emery described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Ansted pursue a \$1,500,000 CWSRF Principal Forgiveness, a \$721,000 CWSRF Loan (0.25%, 40 yrs, 0.25% AF), and a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$3,221,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, John Risenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Benwood, City of – Sys Improvs IV (New application)

2023S-2460

Kathy Emery described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Benwood pursue a \$2,000,000 CWSRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, and a \$600,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$2,600,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, John Risenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Bluewell PSD – Sys Imprvs (New application)

2023S-2232

Kathy Emery described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Bluewell PSD pursue a \$2,000,000 AML Grant, a \$2,000,000 CWSRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, a \$11,940,000 (\$1,380,00 for design) CWSRF Loan (0.25%, 40 yrs, 0.25% AF), and a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$16,940,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mason County PSD – Sandhill Ext, 401 cust (Funding change)

2020S-1922

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Mason County PSD pursue a \$5,100,000 USDA Loan (2%, 40 yrs), a \$2,850,000 USDA Grant, a \$2,000,000 CWSRF Debt Forgiveness Loan, a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant, a \$3,000,000 WDAEEGF, and a \$814,000 USDA Sub. Grant for an estimated cost of \$14,764,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Oak Hill, City of – Minden Collection Sys Imprvs (Cost and funding change)

2020S-1859

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Oak Hill pursue a \$1,250,000 ARC Grant, a \$1,500,000 AML DEP Grant, a \$2,949,000 CWSRF Loan (0.75%, 40 yrs, 0.25% AF - for Arbuckle rate of \$62.12), a \$2,000,000 CWSRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, a \$208,000 contribution from the City of Oak Hill, and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated total project cost of \$8,407,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Erica Bogges seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Ripley, City of – Klondyke Sewer Sys Imprvs (New application)

2023S-2449

Kathy Emery described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Ripley pursue a \$2,000,000 CWSRF Principal Forgiveness, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$3,000,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Sun Valley PSD – Sys Imprvs IIIA (Cost and funding change)

2022S-2148

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Sun Valley PSD pursue a \$615,000 Harrison County ARPA Grant, a \$500,000 WDA EEGF, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$2,115,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Erica Bogges seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Sun Valley PSD – Sys Imprvs IIIB (Cost and funding change)

2022S-2062

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Sun Valley PSD pursue a \$1,000,000 CWSRF Debt Forgiveness, a \$1,000,000 CWSRF Loan (1.75%, 30 yrs, 0.25% AF), a \$2,500,000 WDA EGF, and a

\$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$5,000,000 contingent upon WDA approval of reduced customer count (295 to 65 new cust).

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, John Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

McDowell Co PSD – Anawalt Impvs & Leckie Ext, 60 cust (New application) 2023W-2376

Meredith Vance described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the McDowell County PSD pursue a \$3,000,000 CDS Grant, a \$2,000,000 DWTRF Debt Forgiveness, a \$100,000 CDS Match, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$6,100,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Erica Boggess seconded the motion. The motion passed.

McDowell Co PSD – Jolo Step 5, 119 cust (New application) 2023W-2430

Meredith Vance described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the McDowell County PSD pursue a \$2,500,000 US EDA Grant, a \$1,500,000 ARC Grant and a \$253,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$4,253,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Shortline PSD – Sys Imprvs (Cost and funding change) 2022W-2164

Meredith Vance described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Short Line PSD pursue a \$3,500,000 DWTRF Loan (0.75%, 40 yrs, 0.25% AF), a \$1,000,000 DWTRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, a \$50,000 Harrison County ARPA Grant, a \$50,000 Wetzel County ARPA Grant, a \$1,000,000 WDA EEGF, and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$6,100,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, John Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

West Hamlin, Town of – Pre-sedimentation Basin Emg Repl (New CN application) 2023W-2474

Meredith Vance described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of West Hamlin pursue a 625,000 IJDC grant, a \$625,000 IJDC Loan (1%, 40 yrs) (or other funding), and a \$25,000 Town contribution for an estimated project cost of \$1,275,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, John Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Whitmer Water Association or the City of Elkins – WWA Sys Imprvs (New application) 2023W-2455

Meredith Vance described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Whitmer Water Association or the City of Elkins (acquisition pending) pursue a \$1,500,000 DWTRF Principal Forgiveness Loan and a \$799,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$2,299,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Projects Recommended to Pursue Funding Sources Other Than Infrastructure Fund Assistance:

Bluefield, City of – Nicholas Rd Ext & Thompson PS Imprvs (New application) 2023S-2432

Kathy Emery described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Bluefield pursue a \$3,500,000 CWSRF Loan (0.75%, 30 yrs, 0.25%).

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Clarksburg, City of – Sys Imprvs V-B (Engineering fee variance) 2023S-2404

Kathy Emery described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Clarksburg's engineering fee variance request for total engineering fees be approved.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

St. Marys, City of – Main Repl (New application) 2023W-2439

Meredith Vance described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of St Marys pursue a \$881,250 (\$956,250 - \$75,000) US ACE Grant , and a \$318,750 City ARPA Grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,200,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, John Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Projects Requesting Infrastructure Fund Binding Commitment:

Canaan Valley PSD – Zone B Ext, 3 bulk cust (Cost & funding chg and binding com ext) 2021S-1604

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Canaan Valley PSD pursue a \$1,500,000 CWSRF Debt Forgiveness Loan, a \$1,405,000 CWSRF Loan (0.25%, 40 yrs, 0.25% AF), a \$1,000,000 WDA EEGF, a \$410,000 IJDC Grant, and a \$90,000 IJDC Soft Cost Grant for an estimated project cost of \$4,405,000; and receive a binding commitment extension until June 15, 2024.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Erica Boggess seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Logan County PSD – Telemetry Sys Repl (Binding commitment) 2023W-2454

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Logan County PSD receive a \$200,000 IJDC Grant binding commitment, and a \$200,000 IJDC Loan (2%, 30 yrs) binding commitment for an estimated project cost of \$400,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, John Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Wardensville, Town of – Sys Imprvs (Binding commitment)

2020S-1873

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Wardensville receive a \$500,000 IJDC Grant binding commitment.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, John Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Economic Development
Assistance:**

**Council
Action**

It is to be noted that Kris Warner recused himself during this portion of the meeting.

John Reisenweber described the request.

Polymer Alliance Zone (Loan modification)

2008E-118

RE: The Polymer Alliance Zone (PAZ) is requesting a re-amortization of loan 2008E-118 for an additional 15 years beginning upon the execution of a new lease. This structure has become necessary in order to secure a new tenant. PAZ is finalizing a 15-year lease with a Japanese auto supplier.

MOTION:

I MOVE THAT the loan to the Polymer Alliance Zone (PAZ) (2008E-118) be re-amortized for 15 years. This change will be subject to the following conditions:

- 1.The loan will amortize for a 15-year term beginning upon the execution of the new lease.
- 2.The interest rate will be unchanged.
- 3.The re-amortization will be subject to review of the lease agreement to be signed., BE APPROVED.

John Reisenweber moved that the recommendation be approved, Marie Prezioso seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Business Items:

Draft meeting schedule for 2024

Wayne Morgan described the meeting schedule. Marie Prezioso moved that the meeting schedule for 2024 be adopted. John Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Unfinished Business Items

None

Executive Director Comments:

Wayne noted that the May 10th, 2024 is the deadline when the 2015 MHI will no longer be able to be used for applications

Mason Co PSD – Ext, 28 cust (Budget revision/closeout)	2022W-2143
Update Consolidation Committee (Logan, City & County PSD)	2022W-2155
(Central Hampshire PSD)	2023S-2340

Projects Requiring Additional Information

Birch River PSD-Sugar Tree Rdg CN Ext, 11 cust (Tabled application until Jan 2024)	2023W-2428
Central Hampshire PSD-Harvest Hills Sys Imprv (Application referred to CC)	2023S-2340
Clay County PSD-Ossia Rd & Moore Fk Ext, 50 cust (Tabled application until Dec 19th)	2023W-2435
Clay County PSD – Grassy Fk Ext, 40 cust (Tabled application until Dec 19th)	2023W-2436
Davy, Town of – Sys Imprvs II (Application returned)	2023W-2419
Davy, Town of – Sewer Sys (Tabled application until Dec 19th)	2023S-2431
Hancock County PSD – Newell Sys Imprvs (Tabled cost and funding chg until Dec 19th)	2021S-1980
Logan, City of-WTP Imprvs (Application referred to CC)	2022W-2155
Nutter Fort, Town of – Sys Imprvs IV (Tabled binding commitment)	2021S-2059

Requests Received: (Applications by November 10, 2023, and requests to date) Information Report

Sewer

St Marys, City of – Gen and Main Repl (New application)	2023S-2440
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Water

Putnam Co Com – Custer Rdg Ext, 25 cust (New application)	2023W-2453
Spencer, City of –Summit St PS Repl (New application)	2023W-2470
Wilderness PSD – Sys Imprvs II (New application)	2023W-2462

Committee Reports

Consolidation	Erica Boggess
Technical Review & Funding	Marie Prezioso
Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council	Wayne Morgan
Sewer Technical Review	Kathy Emery
Water Technical Review	Meredith Vance

Other Reports

US Army Corps of Engineers	Lesli Stone Smith
US Department of Agriculture	Janna Lowery
Abandoned Mine Lands	Roger Earle
Division of Highways	Perry Keller
Funding Program Reports (projects bidding and closing)	Kathy Emery

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

With no further business before the Committee, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Jonathan Fowler moved to adjourn; Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at **10:00 a.m.**

Wayne D. Morgan
Secretary & Executive Director